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PROMOTER FOR REGULATING EXPRESSION OF FOREIGN

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VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 U. S. A.

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-referenced patent application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 9 and 10:

9. (Added) An expression vector comprising a promoter as defined in claim 1.

10. (Added) A plant cell or a plant genetically transformed with the expression vector of claim 9.

REMARKS

Claims 9 and 10 are now in this application and reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

New claims 9 and 10 are believed to be clearly representative of the present invention described in the specification. It is strongly believed by the

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